GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

HM&FW Department - Formation of State Council on AIDS(SCA), as per the directions of NACO, under the Chairpersonship of Chief Secretary to Government with representatives of 15 Departments as Members, for better performance of the State in providing leadership in policy direction, demonstrating commitment, and catalysing the involvement of public and private sector stakeholders in a State-wide response to HIV – Orders – Issued.

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HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (K) DEPARTMENT

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Read :

From the Project Director, A.P. State AIDS Control Society through e-file bearing Computer No.2732004

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O R D E R :-

In the reference read above, the Project Director, A.P. State AIDS Control Society (APSACS), has requested to form the State Council on AIDS (SCA), as per the directions of NACO, under the Chairpersonship of the Hon'ble Chief Minister / Chief Secretary to Government, with representatives from 15 Departments as Members, for better performance of the State in providing leadership in policy direction, demonstrating commitment, and catalysing the involvement of public and private sector stakeholders in a State-wide response to HIV. The purpose of the State Council on HIV/AIDS is to establish a high-level administrative platform for the State's AIDS response; to facilitate policy decisions for departmental involvement in vulnerable population reduction, service integration, and advocacy for social and legal support for affected communities; and to promote the HIV program in the State, including social protection schemes and adolescent education programs.

2. After careful examination of the matter, Government hereby constitutes the A.P. State Council on AIDS with the following Members under the Chairpersonship of the Chief Secretary to Government :

1	Chief Secretary to Government	Chairperson
2	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, HM &FW Department or nominee.	Member
3	Special Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary / Secretary, PR &RD Department or nominee.	Member
4	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary /Secretary / Special Secretary, TR&B Department or nominee.	Member
5	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, Department of WCD&SC or nominee	Member
6	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, School Education Department or nominee.	Member
7	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secy., Higher Education Department or nominee.	Member

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8	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secy. MA&UD Department or nominee	Member
9	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, Tribal Welfare Department or nominee.	Member
10	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, LFB & IMS Department or nominee.	Member
11	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, G.A. (Information and Public relations) Department or nominee.	Member
12	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, Agriculture & Cooperation Department or nominee.	Member
13	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary/Secretary / Special Secretary, Industries & Commerce Department or nominee.	Member
14	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, YAT&C (Tourism) Department or nominee.	Member
15	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, YAT&C (Youth) Department or nominee.	Member
16	Representative of PLHIV and Most At Risk Groups or nominee	Member
17	Representative from FBO/CSO/NGO or nominee	Member
18	Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society (APSACS)	Convenor

3. The Objectives of the A.P. State Council on AIDS (SCA) are as follows:

i. To enhance coordination among various stakeholders, including government departments, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and community-based organizations (CBOs).
ii. To facilitate the implementation of national and state-level HIV/AIDS prevention, care, and treatment programs.
iii. To promote community participation in HIV/AIDS awareness and intervention initiatives.
iv. To ensure the integration of HIV/AIDS services with other health and social welfare programs.
v. To establish monitoring and evaluation mechanisms for assessing the impact of interventions.
vi. To achieve:
    a. Prevention of HIV among high-risk groups.
    b. Improved access to counselling, testing, and treatment services.
    c. Mobilizing resources for social protection of PLHIV.
    d. Promoting prevention of parent-to-child Transmission of HIV.
    e. Establishing a Grievance Redressal Mechanism.
    f. Facilitating special support for orphans and vulnerable children affected by HIV.

4. The major Roles and Responsibilities of the A.P. State Council on AIDS (SCA) are as follows:

i. Formulating policies and strategies for the HIV/AIDS response.
ii. Overseeing program implementation and alignment with national strategies.

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iii. Mobilizing resources and ensuring efficient fund utilization.
iv. Strengthening surveillance, research, and data collection.
v. Conducting periodic reviews and assessments.

5. The A.P. State Council on AIDS shall meet bi-annually or at least once a year.

6. The Project Director, A.P. State AIDS Control Society, Guntur, shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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